

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
(Case No. 00-1312-L)**

PATENT

In application of:)	
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Kopreski)	Before the Examiner:
)	F. Lu
Serial No. 10/684,633)	
)	Group Art Unit: 1634
Filed: October 14, 2003)	
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For: Detection of Tumor RNA in Plasma or Serum)	

RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION MAILED MARCH 10, 2009

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action, mailed March 10, 2009, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following remarks.

Status of the claims.

The Examiner indicated that claims 33-35 are pending at the issuance of this Office Action.

Pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.121, amendments to claims begin on page 2, and Applicant's remarks begin on page 4.